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SUBJECT : GREEK-BULGARIAN TALKS ON EXPANDING TRADE
THROUGH PORT OF THESSALONIKI

REF : A) THESS A-03 OF 02/10/75. B) THESS 45

1) BULGARIAN DELEGATION HEADED BY UNDER SEC OF TRANSPORT FERDOV (PHON) NOW CONCLUDING FOUR-DAY TALKS WITH OFFICIALS OF THESSALONIKI PORT AND GREEK RAILWAY ORGANIZATION. ACCORDING TO STATEMENT BY FERDOV AT PRESS CONFERENCE HERE FEB 11, TECHNICAL AGREEMENTS COVERING INCREASED TRANSIT TRADE WITH BULGARIA THROUGH PORT OF THESSALONIKI SCHEDULED FOR SIGNATURE FEB 13.

2) FERDOV REPORTED THAT 102,000 TONS TRANSITED THESSALONIKI FOR BULGARIA DURING NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1974 AND PREDICTED THAT VOLUME WILL INCREASE 500% DURING 1975. UNDERSEC ADDED THAT DURING JANUARY 1975 TWO-WAY TRANSIT TOTALLED 3,100 CARLOADS MOVED BY RAIL BETWEEN THESSALONIKI AND BULGARIA AND MONTHLY TOTAL WILL REACH 5,000 CARLOADS AS RESULT OF PLANNED UP-GRADING OF THESSALONIKI-KULATA RAILWAY.

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3) UNDERSEC ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT NEXT GREEK-BULGARIAN MINISTERIAL

MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEB 23 IN SOFIA. DELEGATIONS TO BE HEADED
BY GREEK MINISTER OF COMMERCE BOUTOS AND BULGARIAN DOMESTIC
TRADE MINISTER KARAMANEV (PHON).
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